

## General Assembly

## Raised Bill No. 94

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LCO No. 873

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Referred to Committee on Housing

Introduced by: (HSG)

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE EQUAL TREATMENT OF RENTERS WITH MENTAL DISABILITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 47a-23c of the
- 2 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 3 thereof (Effective October 1, 2012):
- 4 (a) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, this
- 5 section applies to any tenant who resides in a building or complex
- 6 consisting of five or more separate dwelling units or who resides in a
- 7 mobile manufactured home park and who is either: (A) Sixty-two
- 8 years of age or older, or whose spouse, sibling, parent or grandparent
- 9 is sixty-two years of age or older and permanently resides with that
- tenant, [;] or (B) [blind, as defined in section 1-1f; or (C) physically
- 11 disabled, as defined in section 1-1f, but only if such disability can be
- 12 expected to result in death or to last for a continuous period of at least
- twelve months] a person with a physical or mental impairment that
- 14 substantially limits one or more major life activities and who has a
- 15 record of such impairment or is regarded as having such an
- 16 <u>impairment</u>.

- Sec. 2. Subsection (i) of section 47-88b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2012*):
  - (i) After the conversion of a dwelling unit in a building to condominium ownership, the declarant or unit owner, for the purpose of determining if a lessee's eviction is prohibited under subsection (b) of section 47a-23c, may ask any lessee to provide proof of the age [, blindness] or physical [disability] or mental impairment of such lessee or any person residing with him, or of the familial relationship existing between such lessee and any person residing with him. The lessee shall provide such proof, including a statement of a physician in the case of alleged [blindness or] physical [disability] or mental impairment, within thirty days.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2012	47a-23c(a)(1)
Sec. 2	October 1, 2012	47-88b(i)

## Statement of Purpose:

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To clarify certain protections under state housing law for persons with disabilities.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]